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Pam Bissonnette, Director King County Department of Natural Resources 400 Yesler Way, Room 700 Seattle, WA 98104-2637

Subject: Certification of King County Ground Water Management Plans -

East King, Redmond-Bear Creek, Vashon-Maury Island. Issaguah

Creek Valley

Dear Ms. Bissonnette:

Congratulations on your completion of the four King County Ground Water Management Plans listed above. I am pleased to certify the East King, Redmond-Bear Creek, Vashon-Maury Island, and Issaquah Creek Valley plans These plans are consistent with the intent of Chapter 90.44.410 RCW and Chapter 173-I 00 WAC, Ground Water Management Areas and Programs

I know that your staff has made a tremendous effort to secure the concurrence of local agencies and other stakeholders and to complete these plans with limited resources. Ecology also applauds the significant work and commitment that the Ground Water Advisory Committees have given to these plans.

These ground water plans are an excellent foundation for long-term water resource protection efforts in King County. I look forward to working with you as you expand upon these planning efforts. I am committed to supporting local

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planning initiatives to the extent Ecology's resources allow. Thank you for your efforts to promote innovative solutions to the water challenges in King County.

Sincerely,

Tom Fitzsimmons

Director

Department of Ecology

cc: Dan Chasan, Vashon-Maury Island GWAC Chair Jack Davis, Redmond-Bear Creek GWAC Chair Dick Jones, East King County GWAC Chair Catherine Moody, Issaquah Valley GWAC Chair Ken Johnson, King County DNR